

House Resolution No. 2969

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on May 24, 1915, in Joplin into the family of B.L. Martin and Laura Nelle Compton-Martin, Vera Martin Eastman will celebrate her Ninetieth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends on May 21, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Vera Eastman established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to Jesse W. Eastman who loved and cherished her with all of his heart until his death; and

Whereas, the marital union of Vera and Jesse Eastman was blessed with two wonderful children, Mark S. Eastman and Kent D. Eastman, two daughters-in-law who have become her best friends, Ellen and C.B., and two grandchildren, Stuart W. Eastman and Margaret Ellen "Maggie" Eastman; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Vera Eastman enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, a retired insurance secretary, Vera Eastman is a member of First Community Church and the Woman's Club of Joplin, and enjoys spending time with her only sister, Cleo L. Wadkins; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Vera Eastman:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Vera Eastman and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Vera Eastman of Joplin, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ronald F. Richard
District No. 129

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2969, adopted May 5, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker